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and Their Use In Preparing Prodrugs

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$395.00 to cover Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Fee;
- 2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/30);
- 3. Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b);
- 4. Form PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet) listing 6 cited documents (US1-US3 and FP1-FP3);
- 5. Form PTO/SB/08B (2 sheets) listing 19 cited documents (NPL1-NPL19);
- 6. Copies of cited documents (FP1-FP3 and NPL1-NPL19); and
- 7. One (1) return postcard.

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